

Respected members of the FCC -

Greetings. My name is Troy Thoele, and I represent Cybercom Internet, located in College Station, Texas. I have the distinction of being in charge of our Wireless ISP operations, which now covers five cities.

Cybercom services a large geographic area, with a low population density. The working within the confines of the 2.4 UNII band has proven difficult, and the 900 ISM band is heavily utilized in this area by amateur radio operators, as well as other primary users. This has prevented an effective deployment in our area.

The power increase in the MMDS band, as well as frequency protection, is a very attractive prospect to Cybercom, as well as other operators in a similar situation. However, Worldcom is unwilling to negotiate sublicensing.

I would propose that you would open up the 2.5GHZ band to smaller operators, based on a qualification of service, instead of traditional auctioning methods. This would afford licence protection, as well as give smaller local operators a chance to be competitive, and provide a quality service to the market they have chosen to call home.

There is a large amount of spectrum that is now dormant, as a result of changes in the market. I hope that you would take this time to consider adjusting the spectrum to bring new levels of service to smaller communities, and let others that do not have deep pockets be competitive in a maturing market.

Regards,
Troy Thoele
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